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Council gives final okay on float awards

There will be award-competition in the organization's Ma-ie Day floats.

This decision reversed a previous passed measure by the Student Council on the question of float competition.

Organizations concerned with the Ma-ie Day parade were unanimously in favor of competition despite the recent flood emergency, shortage of time, and manpower.

However, the Council will decide later on the proposal that the first, second and third place awards be cut in proportion to the number of floats entering the parade.

The annual spring election has been postponed until May 2. Petitions are due in the Dean of Students office by 2 o'clock this afternoon. In case of a tie in any office, there will be a runoff election May 7.

The Pan-Hellenic and Interfraternity Councils and the Student Council are striving for a 100 per cent school vote. Representatives from every organization will contact each student at OU and urge them to vote.

The tea dance, scheduled for the flood week, will be held April 30 in the auditorium. The Prexy party will be held this afternoon in the Faculty Clubroom at 2.

Interested in editing? Tomahawk needs help

Interested in working on the 1953 Tomahawk?

A call issued today by Larry Boersma, 1953 yearbook editor, asks for students to help edit the '53 annual. Those interested are asked to sign-up in the Tomahawk office.

Modern dance program tonight highlights 'Dance Through Ages'

The University of Omaha's modern dance group, "Orchosis" will present their annual spring dance concert tonight at 8:15 in the university auditorium. The theme of the concert will be "Dance Through the Ages." Student admission is by activity card.

The program features examples of Greek, primitive, folk, modern and ballet techniques.

'Injun' now monthly as circulation 5000

Alum secretary John Adams announced this week that "The Injun," alumni magazine, will become a monthly publication.

Dolores Hughes, a 1948 grad, will edit the magazine.

Circulation will be raised from the present 700 copies to 5,000 copies. The present system allows only paid members of the Association to receive issues. The new issue, which begins May 1 will go to all alums.

Nothing like this modern age to suit man for job

"All my life I've considered men who stand on roads and wave flags to be of the lowest mental and physical caliber," said Roderic B. Crane, economics professor, when explaining his part in the flood fighting campaign.

"I walked in holding my chest high and looking intelligent," said Crane, "and they handed me a flag. I shall always look on the flood of '52 with deep chagrin."

After about 20 minutes at his new position, Crane stuck the flag in a fence and hitched a ride to the dikes.

Honor students feted at convo

High-ranking scholars at the university were honored this morning at a convocation in the auditorium. The annual formal event is held to publicly recognize students in the three colleges whose grade averages are high enough for the Dean's Honor List.

Professor Paul Engle, head of English Department at the State University of Iowa, spoke to the honor students. Faculty members showed up in complete scholastic regalia as is the custom for the occasion.

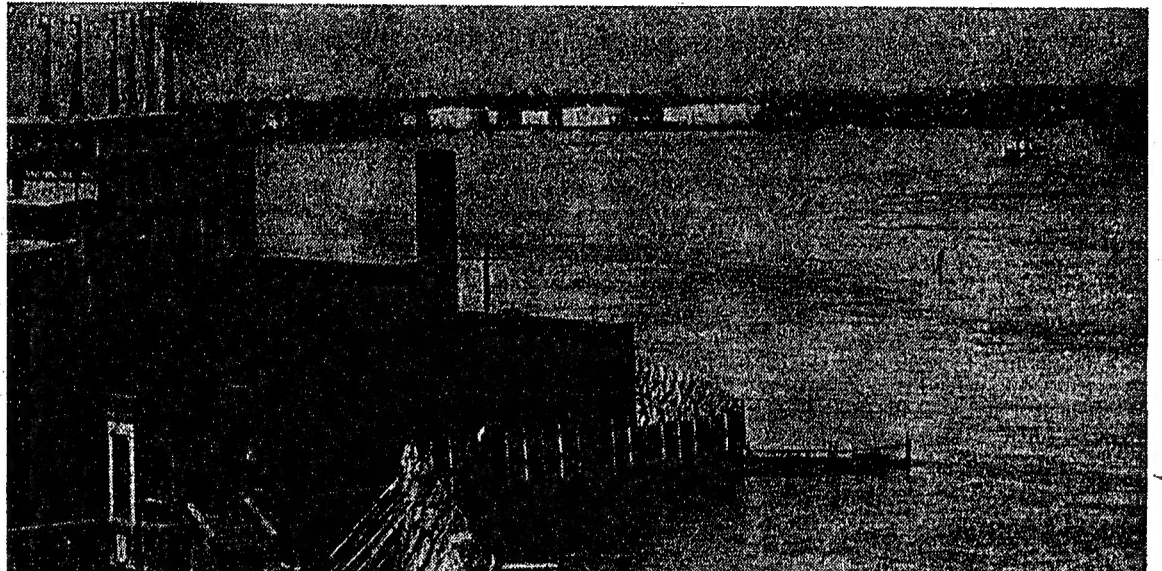
Professor Paul Engle spoke to members of the Town and Gown Club at the meeting last night. Professor Engle spoke on "America is People," at the final meeting of the club.

The outstanding feature of the program will be the jazz boogie number entitled, "Three Hour Pass."

Other numbers on the program will include a "Country Sketch," "Primitive Dance," and the presentation of a square dance. "Artistry in Blue" will be done by Bonnie Coleman and the final number, "Statement of Mood and Mind" will feature Jane Englehardt as soloist.

Other soloists on the program will be Alyce Beachler, Jean Janzan, Beverly Brandt and Jackie Zerbe. Two vocalists, Terry Young and Helen Tiahart will sing in one of the featured numbers.

Mrs. Irma Wilcox is faculty sponsor for the dance group. Assisting in the production are Miss Vera Duerschner and Miss Marjorie Baumann, women's physical education instructors.



A lot of water that might not have gone under the bridge did so because thousands of people answered the call for help. Picture taken from Ak-Sar-Ben bridge looking east toward Searle Petroleum. Concrete floodwall and splashboards, thrown up for the emergency, are at lower right.

Ma-ie Day activities only two weeks off

Final plans are in progress for the annual Ma-ie Day celebration set for May 9, only two weeks away.

The day's activities will begin at 8 a.m. with a breakfast in Elmwood Park, followed by the crowning of Princess Attira XVIII at 8:30. The annual parade is scheduled to start on its route at 10:30 a.m.

The Tribal Presentation of the six finalists in the skit competition takes place at 1:30 in the auditorium. The initial judging of skits will take place May 2 in the auditorium, with the best six moving into the finals.

The Ma-ie Day dance will be held at Peony Park from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. with Eddy Haddad and his orchestra furnishing the music. At that time the winning skit and the best decorated car in the parade will be presented.

Marling wins scholarship, national fraternity award

Two national awards have been presented to senior George Marling. He received the Reginald F. Colley plaque as the Theta Chi of the Year at the group's Founders Day Banquet Apr. 17.

On Apr. 19, the School of Advanced International Studies announced that Marling had received a \$2,000 fellowship. The school is affiliated with Johns Hopkins University, Washington, D. C.

The Colley plaque will hang at the university until fall. It was awarded on the basis of recognition gained by Marling for his fraternity and the university.

Student flood volunteers from university total 1000

An open letter—

I should like to extend sincere congratulations to all of the students of the university upon the outstanding service which you have rendered to the citizens of Omaha and Council Bluffs during these critical days just experienced.

All Omaha is grateful for a significant job well done. This was indeed a marvelous demonstration of democracy in action and I want to say that I am indeed proud of every student at the university. Such unselfish service confirms our confidence in the youth of today.

Milo Bail, president

Dr. Payne presents first TV classroom

Omaha University's first television classroom will be aired over KMTV Monday at 10:45 a.m.

Cameras will be trained on Dr. Wilfred Payne, chairman of humanities, as he discusses Greek government during the fifth century B.C. This is the first class in a six-week course for home students titled, "Six Views of Life." It is worth two credit hours toward a degree upon completion of a written exam and payment of fees. The class is 15 minutes long.

Lectures for the remainder of the week are on Greek religion, science, Greek ideas of heaven and the Greek view of life.

Man hour figures exceed 60,000

At least 1,000 university students contributed more than 60,000 man hours of labor during the flood emergency.

A tally of the lists of volunteers plus estimates from students who worked independently supplied the total figure.

University women aided the Red Cross and the Salvation Army—serving food from mobile units. Others cared for children in refugee shelters, and many more served in the Salvation Army building making sandwiches.

ROTC students, working in six-man groups, patrolled the material depot at Twenty-fourth and Nicholas streets in three hour shifts.

University staff members also contributed their time during the emergency which saw regular activity come to a complete halt. They staffed the student lounge and helped in registration of workers on a 24 hour basis. The Shack was open to serve volunteers and was operated by both students and staff.

Faculty members who volunteered their services were employed in filling sandbags, directing traffic and patrolling the levees.

The first appeal for help came Monday morning. President Milo Bail immediately called a meeting of students, faculty and staff. Signing of volunteer workers took place afterward in the lounge.

Volunteer flood workers recall hilarious moments during emergency

This week, as students reopened books and returned to lectures, they reminisced about their part in the "Flood of '52." Some of the incidents were amusing, some not so amusing, but all of them tell the story of the university's part in the disaster.

What an opportunity for a man with canoe

One student was working to plug the sewers in pitch darkness. Somebody yelled, "Here comes a bulldozer. Get out of the way!" The student couldn't get to safety in time and began sliding down the river-side of the levee.

Again someone yelled, "Put your feet down!" The student did. He landed in two inches of water after a 14 foot fall. The only injury was to his pride.

But boys! There was a quarter in the pocket

Another minor catastrophe occurred when a student's jacket fell into the water. Instead of helping him to rescue his jacket, weary fellow workers relaxed a little and threw rocks and stones at it until it sank.

Don't stand for that, ladies! Tell 'em all to go to Hades

The Alpha Xi's finally located one of their huge devils, but it was in a restricted area and inaccessible to them. Two eight foot cardboard devils had guarded the entrance to the Carter Lake Club for the group's dance in January. Both had vanished during the evening of the dance.

A picture in the Omaha World Herald revealed that one was posted on an entrance to a house in Carter Lake. The evacuated owner had written the words "Old Devil River" on it.

This would have gone over big on the dikes

One coed working at the Creighton Gymnasium evacuation center took a fretting child and soothed it to sleep. After accomplishing the job successfully, the girl looked in vain for the child's mother. She walked up and down the aisles of cots, but no one would claim the child.

Just as the coed began to understand how the levee workers

felt toting sandbags, she noticed a woman watching her.

"Does this child belong to you?" she asked wearily. "Yes," answered the woman, "her and seven others over here. Thanks for getting her to sleep."

Suddenly the girl felt refreshed, and she turned to another harried mother.

No fly-by-night, this kid!

A real gone gal reporter

OU's Julie Zelenka got a better view of the flood situation than most of the levee workers. She flew by plane from Omaha up the river to North and South Dakota. She interviewed the governors of both states for WOW and WOW-TV and received credit for her reporting on several news broadcasts.

Nothing beats a good 'ham' on television

One enterprising student did a lot to help the flood disaster

program and wound up on a national TV program because of it. Bob Stratbucker, a physics major, made himself a "ham" radio set at the beginning of the disaster. He set up headquarters in Council Bluffs and sent one of the first appeals for help along the levees.

A few mornings later a local TV announcer interviewed him on a national hookup with a network news program.

This boy was really working a racket

Another volunteer worker was to be on duty all night at the Shack. She had a date with one of the levee workers and was be-moaning the fact that he would have to kiss her good-night at the Shack door.

"That's nothing," said a friend. "This morning I kissed him good morning." There was a long silence, then the friend ex-

plained that she had been in the lounge-turned-dormitory. She had awakened him to answer a phone call.

They thought he was just another river rat

During a free moment on the dikes, senior Rolly Klopffleisch joined an inspecting group of army Engineers. They walked along the levee from the Socony-Vacuum Co. to the Omaha Flood Wall, the water lapping a few yards from their feet. But the best part of the tour was when they went down directly behind the flood wall to inspect the pumps. "All the water rushing overhead was actually terrifying," he said.

Here's a man who believes charity begins at home

While student volunteers tore up his yard, one man watched the Robinson-Graziano fight on his television set. Sprawled in an

easy chair and within easy reach of a bottle of relaxation, he was envied and cursed by workers attempting to save his home from the flooding waters.

No, lad! The sand was in the dike, not the doughnut

When asked if he had received enough food on the dikes, one OU student said he had eaten so many doughnuts that he had become a menace to the levees. Co-workers were afraid that he would sink straight through the mire to the river bed.

Which monsters turned in the liveliest performance?

Saturday afternoon five coeds working at Creighton got free passes to the Shrine Circus matinee. Their only duty while watching the animals in the circus was to keep an eye on 30 self-styled little monsters from the evacuation center.

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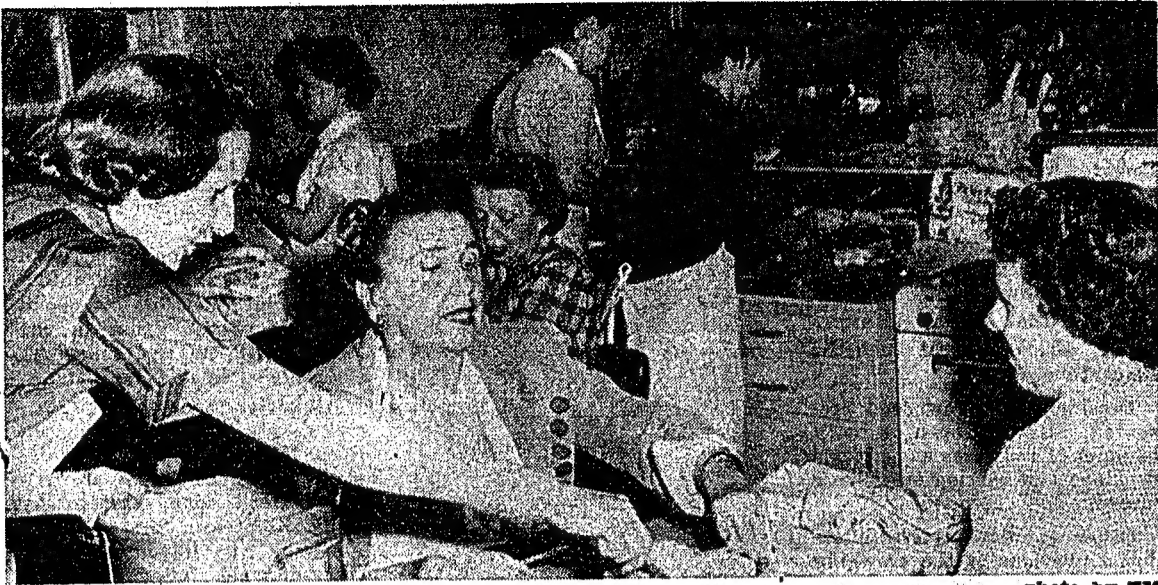
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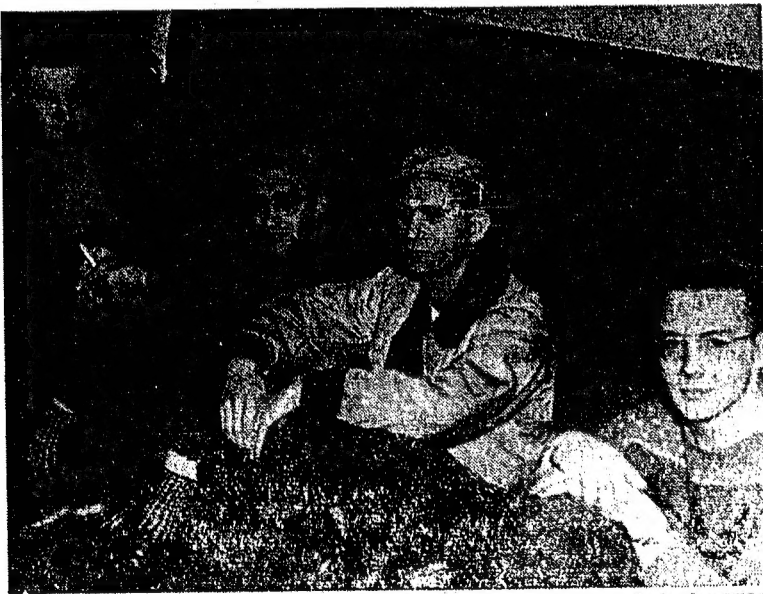
—photo by G. Bowker

"The Lost Generation" . . . by the hundreds, from every university and high school in Omaha and Council Bluffs, they volunteered their services. Pictured is one of the first busloads heading for the Council Bluffs levees.



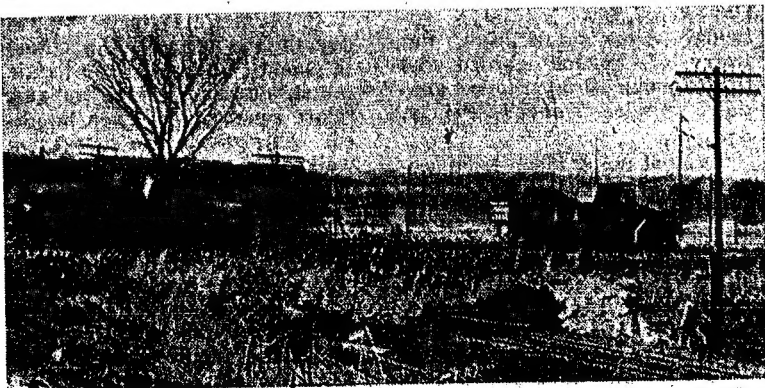
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People . . . the flood waters would never bother these faculty members' homes. They donned their working clothes anyway and answered the call for help. Charles Bull (left) awaits his turn to sign-up for flood work with J. G. McMillan, James Earl and Ralph Wardle while Jack Sonny signs on the dotted line.



—photo by MAC

No smiles . . . "Will the dikes hold?" These weary student workers wonder. They're waiting for another truck to haul them to the levees again.



—photo by G. Bowker

People in trucks . . . they came from near and far. The dirt-loaded vehicles bounce along a hastily constructed dike in North Omaha, heading for Socony Vacuum plant.

Editorial . . .

Just plain people

The waters have receded. The excitement, the thrill, the anxiety that comes from beating the Goliath at his game begins to fade. Now people return to their homes in areas earlier marked for devastation. No high-water marks. No sloppy mud to scoop and scrape from walls and floors. Because the dikes held.

Because of people by the thousands.

People—men, women, children too, many with nothing in common—rallied in our darkest hour. Businessmen, housewives, students, clerks, laborers combined their efforts in a common cause—to help their brothers.

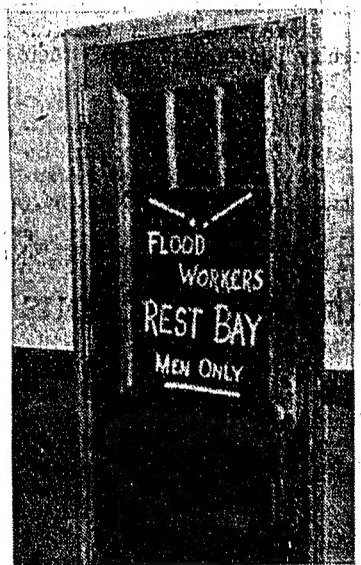
But the threat wasn't universal among them. Many thousands of these people the flood waters would never bother. Only those living in the lowlands, down by the river, knew that fear. But the people came anyway. From near and far they came to help.

People—branded "race conscious," "class conscious," people with religious discriminations and people who wore the tag of "The Lost Generation." People from a nation of "softies."

These were the people who answered the call for help.

In our darkest hour they threw aside common grudges, petty grievances. They rolled up their sleeves and went to work to build the biggest monument these cities have ever seen.

We call it, "Brotherhood of Man."



—photo by MAC

For the weary—a place to rest before going out on the dikes again.



—photo by G. Bowker

Workin' on the railroad—students traded their books for shovels barely a stone's throw from the swirling Missouri. By nightfall this track was covered with sandbags.

Tony Pastor's band signs for Military Ball, May 16

Tony Pastor and his orchestra will play for OU's first Military Ball, scheduled for Friday, May 16 at Peony Park.

The vocal-instrumentalist has played at famous night spots all over the country and has recorded for four companies. Recently appearing on Cavalcade of Bands and the Perry Como Show, Tony Pastor's outfit is known for the special treatment given to each type of number, yet retaining the basic quality that is the band's trademark.

To be an annual affair, the Military Ball is sponsored by the Arnold Society, national Air Force ROTC leadership organization.

Advance sale of tickets, available to the public and students as well as ROTC members, can be purchased from cadets at \$3.50 per couple.

The identity of six honorary officers from the Angel's Flight, girls' auxiliary of the Arnold Society, will be revealed at the ball. A cadet colonel will take command and two lieutenant colonels and three majors will be announced.

Military Ball chairman is Cadet Captain John Fargher, with members of the Angel's Flight and the Arnold Society assisting him.

Tea, convention on Sig Ep's schedule

The Sigma Phi Epsilon Mother's Club will hold a tea Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. in the faculty clubroom for fraternity members and their dates.

Jim Townsend, Paul Fessler and Harold Sage leave tomorrow to attend the Sig Ep district convention at Manhattan, Kansas this weekend.

Greeks attend Rhythm Rumpus

Money ordinarily used for the Ma-ie Day float will be donated by the Phi Ep's for flood relief. The decision was made at a meeting held Sunday night. Sam Fried was elected new recording secretary at that time.

At the all-Greek pre-vacation dance, "Rhythm Rumpus" at Peony Park, over 200 couples danced to the music of Cliff Dudley and his band.

Joanne Krupa is 'Rose'

Joanne Krupa was named "Rose of Delta Sig" at the business fraternity's annual affair held Saturday, Apr. 5 at the Fontenelle.

As a gift the fraternity presented Miss Krupa with a wrist watch. Headmaster Robert Costello presented the other candidates, Phyllis Wilke and Syntha Judd, with identification bracelets.

Gary Penisten and his band provided the music at the dinner dance.

ROTC clubs set mixer on Sunday

The first combined activity of the Angel's Flight and the Arnold Society, honorary ROTC organizations, will take place Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. in the auditorium.

The mixer is designed so that members can become acquainted with each other in order to make nominations from the Angel's Flight for honorary colonels and majors at the Military Ball May 16.

Originally scheduled for last Saturday evening, the mixer had to be postponed due to the flood.

The nomination of six girls for the honors will be held at a later date. Tentative plans call for the wearing of identification badges by members of the Angel's Flight throughout the week.

Alpha Xi's present awards at banquet

The Alpha Xi Delta 59th annual Founder's Day banquet was held last Thursday at the Country Club. Alpha Xi's from Rho chapter in Lincoln and alumni were also present.

The evening was highlighted by the presentation of awards. Jean Schmidt received a jeweled Gamma Delta guard for the pledge receiving the highest average and Marilyn Cowger received a diamond point for her quill as the active receiving the highest scholarship. Margaret Kelly received a bracelet containing the Alpha Xi crest for the active having the greatest scholastic improvement.

Sig Ep, Alumni dances draw flood workers over weekend

Cothran chosen '52 'Sweetheart'

Taking time off from work on the dikes, more than 250 persons saw Barbara Cothran crowned "Sweetheart of Sig Ep" at the annual informal dance Friday night at the Blackstone.

President Jim Townsend presented Miss Cothran with a bouquet of red roses and a pearl necklace and earring set during intermission ceremonies.

Other candidates were introduced previous to the crowning while a Sig Ep chorus sang the fraternity's sweetheart song. Joanne Egbert, Dorothy Ehlers, Joanne Gross and Janet Johnson received gifts of earrings from the fraternity. Last year's sweetheart was Joan Farris.

Eddy Haddad headed the musical slate at the last all-Greek dance of the year. Because members of the fraternity worked on the dikes all week, the ballroom was not decorated for the affair, explained dance chairman Howard Olson.

A 'Sweetheart'...



Here's Barbara Cothran, recently elected "Sweetheart of Sig Ep." A green-eyed brunette, she hails from Henderson, North Carolina and still retains a southern accent.

Barbara's at OU only part of the time as she's a freshman nursing student at Methodist Hospital. Her hobbies include drawing and Don Hopkins, the Sig Ep she's pinned to.

Alums hear song of 'Alma Mater'

Alums and students got together Saturday night at the annual "Lang Syne" dance held at the Blackstone. The informal event included a social hour before the dance in the Assembly Room and music by Gary Penisten and his band.

All senior students were special guests of the alumni. Jim Ross, '50, emceed the intermission ceremonies where an "Alma Mater" song written by Rolly Klopfeisch and Berkley Forsythe was introduced by a choir of male students.

The current president of the Alumni Association, Edgar Howe, '38, presented past president Joe Baker, '49, with an award. For high individual ticket sales to the "Lang Syne" dance, George Nielson, '50, received a record player. High team captain Jack Chestnut, '49, won an ASR table lighter.

Door prizes awarded at the "Lang Syne" dance included candy, records and a flash-light.



photo by Jack Clark

Traveling ISA'ers tell convention tale

by Charlotte Weinberg

Three ISA'ers—Lee Smith, Jane Hoff and Alice Gilinsky—stopped in the Gateway office Tuesday to tell me about the national convention they attended during Spring vacation. Despite frequent references to "un-conventional" activities, I managed to get a few facts about the affair.

With 25 out of 320 delegates, Omaha University sent the

largest delegation.

"Everybody knew where we were from and what our purpose was," said Jane. Members sported caps, canes and pennants to publicize the regional contention in Omaha next fall.

Thirty-five candidates for "National ISA Sweetheart" paraded many times in front of the judges panel, composed of two college professors, two business men and a minister.

"They asked the most peculiar questions when they interviewed us singly," reported Alice Gilinsky, OU's candidate, "including 'Am I contemplating marriage?' I don't remember what I answered, but I laughed." Although Alice rated high, Pat Barry of Purdue gained the title announced at the convention's "Indee Dance" Friday, Apr. 12.

"We got many ideas from seeing displays of other school's activities," Jane told me. OU's display included a large Ouampi doll dressed in an OU sweater and carrying a pennant, as well as photos and stories of activities here. During the three days at Norman business meetings were held and next year's officers were elected. Neal Lindsley from Ohio was named next year's president.

The "un-conventional" activities included a leisurely drive down to Norman in order to look at other universities especially student unions and libraries. In one day 20 travelers stopped at Topeka for breakfast at the modern student union, lunched at Emporia State Teacher's College where a fine library is located, and had dinner at Wichita, to look at another library.

They lodged at Wichita's Institute of Logopedics, a school for spastics and other disabled children. Passing glances at other campuses included Oklahoma City U, McPherson College, Bethany College and Kansas Wesleyan.

At the initial banquet Thursday night, Apr. 10, the entertainment included authentic Indian dances by real Indians. "Cute squaws, too," Lee laughed. Afterwards the delegation walked in and out of an off-campus place called simply "Jacks" and ended up at the Men's Social Hall. "It was NOT a dormitory," Lee assured Jane. A long argument on this point between Lee, Jane and Alice forced me out to the shack for some nourishment. The ISA'er were gone when I returned but I had a vague idea of what happened at the National ISA convention.

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Washburn trackmen clobber flood-weary OU cindermen

Omaha trackmen were kayoed in a dual meet against Washburn University 91-41, last Tuesday, in Topeka. The Indians were already down and needed only counting out, as the squad made the trip after a week with no practice.

Nearly all of the Omaha U cindermen had been working all week to help save Omaha and Council Bluffs from the Missouri River rampage.

As a result, the Indians were completely out of shape.

But all was not black for the Omahans. Joe Nalty, veteran speedster, won the 220-yard dash in the record time of :24.4. This knocked .02 seconds off his old meet record.

Nalty also copped the 100-yard dash laurels with a :10.4 clocking.

Only one other Omaha U trackster won a first place on the track in the dual meet. Jerry Tannahill, freshman from Omaha North, surprised in the 440.

Tannahill downed Washburn's Addison Downey, as he posted a respectable :53.1.

Roger Dunbier, heretofore unbeaten in the high jump, was defeated by Lloyd Mairs of Washburn. However, Dunbier added to his point total with a second in the 120-yard high hurdles coupled with his second in the high jump.

Keith Christie garnered the

only Omaha win in the field events. Christie copped the pole vault by soaring 11 ft. 8 in. Doug Alford took third.

Tannahill took third in the broad jump and Larry Johnson also snared the third spot in both the discus and javelin.

Johnson also took second in the shot.

Bernie Lamson came in second in the 880 for the Omahans and Mel Decker third in the two-mile for the other Omaha points.

Washburn netsters drop OU, 4-3; Kanas wins, Drake, Nebraska fall

Even with Tom Burke's marathon victory over Washburn's Phil Blackburn, the Omaha University netsters dropped their second match of the season to the Washburn Ichabods, 4-3.

Burke, number two man on the Omaha squad, outlasted his opponent 7-9, 6-3, 6-4.

The Ichabods came back strong in the doubles, winning both matches and the meet.

Fred Pisasale, playing in the

Intramural entries due today

Today is the dead-line for all intramural spring sports enthusiasts. All men interested in participating in softball, track, tennis or golf must have their entries in today without fail.

The golf competition will be held by match play, and all persons signing up must watch the intramural bulletin board for matches.

number one slot for the Indians, was nipped 8-6, 7-5, by Gene Powell.

Only a day before, the Indian tennis team drubbed Drake University 6-1. Carl Carlson was the only Omahan to taste defeat.

The University of Omaha tennisists opened the season on the right foot. The Indians traveled to Lincoln to meet the University of Nebraska and drubbed the Cornhuskers 7-0.

Then the Omahans traveled to Lawrence, Kans., where they were shut out by Kansas U, Big Seven champs last season.

From the sports desk

Relays surprise OU high-jumper

The Kansas Relays, although not profitable to Omaha as far as points were concerned, at least provided a few surprises, especially for Roger Dunbier.

Dunbier's best high jump effort for the year at OU was 5-11½ feet, but when he entered his specialty in Lawrence, the bar was set for an even six feet for the preliminary jump.

On the first try, he leaped the bar for a new individual record while 14 of the entrants failed to clear the height.

Dunbier met his match when the level was raised to 6-2, but so did ten others and he had to be content with a ninth place tie.

Picnic highlights womens activities; Judd heads bowling; NISA triumphs

An OUWI picnic highlighted the women's sports week as the girls held their annual fun. Girls were nominated for OUWI officers for the coming year. Voting will continue through next week.

Every girl is entitled to a vote and may cast it in the PE Hut.

Next Saturday is a big day for OUWI participants. It is play day for girls from neighboring schools.

The ping pong tournament started last week. Golf and tennis will begin next week.

Bowling officers were elected this week. Syntha Judd was elected to the president's post.

After five rainouts, Omaha University's baseball crew will attempt to roll into action today and Saturday against Augustana College of Sioux Falls.

today's fray starting at 3 p.m. and Saturday's at 2 p.m.

Bob Offerjost, huge right-hander, will offer his slants in the first game while either Roger Bridenbaugh, who is looking for his second win, or Lynn Hooten, fastball artist, will be throwing in the Saturday rematch.

Backstopping duties will be handled by Steve Marinkovich although versatile Aksel Schmidt could get the call.

The infield shapes up with Larry Micheels at third base, Don Maseman at shortstop, Bob Mackie at the second sack, and Lee Nelson on first base. Rookies Don Hansen, and John Cottrell, plus veteran Jack Danze, are likely to see action.

Patrolling the outfield from left to right will be Bob Schropp, John Potts, and Bill Duffack. Other candidates include Terry Bowman, Bob Grau, Terry Doyle and Roger Orr.

On Monday, the Indians will clash with Offutt Field in a home engagement.

Likely mound choices for the Red and Black could be Larry Micheels or lefty Bill Duffack. Right-hander Jerry Welling is a possibility but has been bothered by a sore arm.

Of the five games rained or flooded out, three were rescheduled and two were canceled. Drake and the Buena Vista home games were wiped out for good.

The April 18 Simpson home tilt has been moved up to May 3 and the Buena Vista game at Storm Lake has been re-slated for May 21.

Omaha will make up the postponed Morningside game at Sioux City on May 7.

Indians hit Wesleyan nine in season opener

Nebraska Wesleyan became Omaha U's first victim of the baseball season Apr. 7 when the Plainsmen dropped a 6-4 contest to the Red and Black in Lincoln.

Bud Bridenbaugh toiled for the Indians to grab the win while Wesleyan southpaw Bob Kropp was tagged for the loss. Bridenbaugh surrendered seven bingles.

Wildness gave Omaha a two-run start in the first frame when Kropp walked the first three men to face him. Another walk and an infield out gave OU the pair of runs.

Bridenbaugh weakened in the third inning, giving three runs on three hits as the Plainsmen surged into a short-lived lead.

Omaha managed three tallies in the fifth and one in the seventh to, ice the contest. Wesleyan had to be content with a lone marker in the seventh.

John Potts and Don Maseman were the sluggers on the Indian ledger with six of the nine base knocks. Potts rapped a triple and two singles and Maseman a triple, double, and a single.

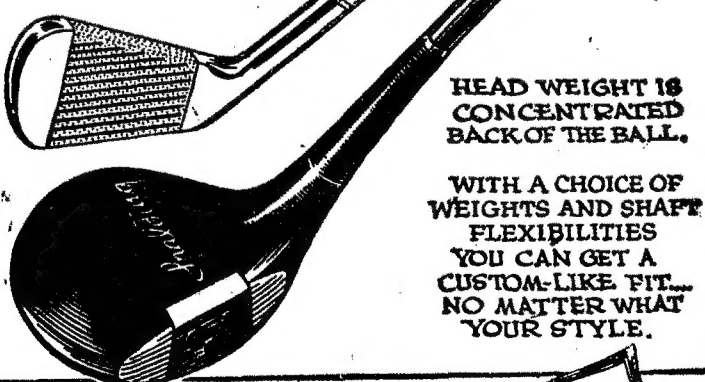
Archie Gustafson, number one Wesleyan hurler, relieved Kropp in the big fifth and dealt the Indians a rough four innings.



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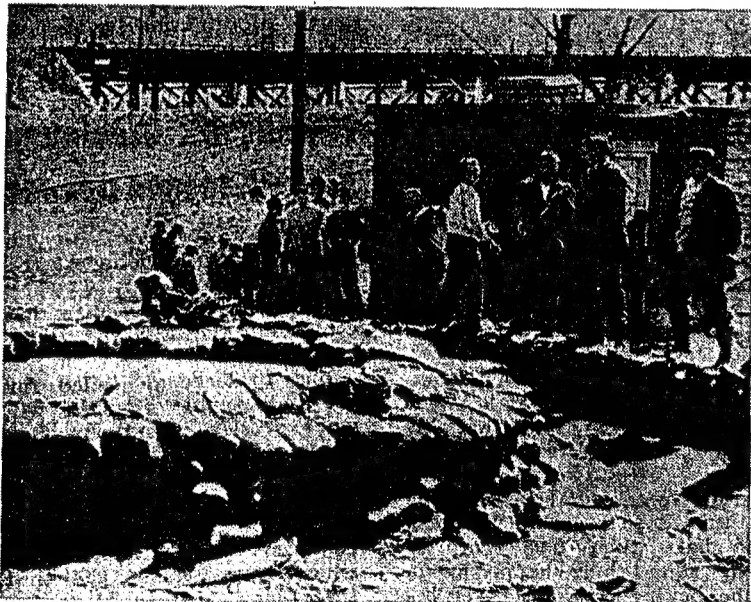


—photos by Charlie Simpson

Time out for a smile . . . behind the lines, sandbags by the thousands to be filled and students like Ben Tobias and Irv Jones to do their part in "Operation Floodwall."



Laborers, clerks, businessmen . . . the strain of too much work and too little sleep etched on the faces of these men forming a sandbag assembly line to a danger point on the Council Bluffs levee.



Building the monument—people form a line to pass the ammunition, in this case, sandbags, to a sandhill on the Council Bluffs dike near Playland Park.

Gateway reporter, photographer bypass police guards to interview students working on Council Bluffs levees

Ed. note: On Monday, Apr. 14, two OU students made a successful expedition through restricted flood areas. Charlotte Weinberg and Charlie Simpson reported their activities on the day that the emergency situation called out OU students.

by Charlotte Weinberg

Our first view of the river was from a spot high in Mandan Park. There the Muddy Mo looked almost tranquil to the many picnicking sightseers. Our goal—Council Bluffs. We considered the South Omaha bridge but gave that up when we saw little traffic, no pedestrians and heavy patrols on the bridge.

Evacuation centers

Before attempting to get to Council Bluffs, we decided to explore the flood evacuation centers in Omaha. The Public Library was to hold story telling hours for children.

At Dewey Park, the custodian said the park would be turned into an emergency center if it were needed. Although it was a warm, sunny day, the tennis courts were deserted.

A mass of bedding

Leaving the car in the downtown area, we walked to the Salvation Army headquarters. The big, drab building was a mass of bedding and busy women who told us they would have a full house of 150 refugees that night. A man told us that they needed help at the clothing center at Ninth and Douglas, and we figured that this was a good excuse to get nearer the bridge.

At the Douglas Street bridge, Charlie told the two officers that he was from OU and wanted to take some pictures. They said he could go up on the bridge for a few minutes, but I'd have to wait down below. I joined a group of men who were trying to talk the policemen into letting them cross.

Determination

One old-timer, arguing with the officials, said he would "swim across if they don't let me go." Four high school boys came up and were allowed to cross when the officers decided that "if they were wearing hip boots, they really wanted to work."

I began to ask the officers some questions. They asked me why I wanted to know so much about the flood. I said I was from The Gateway. I wanted

to get to the Bluffs to talk to some of the students who were working on gangs there. One officer looked at the other and said, "Well, she's in sort of an official capacity. Let's let her cross." And that's how we crossed the bridge—without official permission or passes.

Rampant river

Out on the bridge the peaceful looking river was a muddy mass of swollen water. We were dizzy just looking at it.

Workmen on the bridge were installing a co-axial cable. The original cable was under the bridge and in danger from the flood. "This won't go unless the bridge goes," commented one worker.

At the middle of the bridge, two men were taking a river reading with a machine similar to a giant pulley. They said that the river had risen four-tenths of a foot since 8:30 a. m. It was after 2 p. m.

Crawling on sand bags

At the Council Bluffs side, a gang of men were sandbagging the pits near Playland Park. When the policeman guarding the entrance to the pit took a breather, we made our way gingerly to the river bank—crawling on sand bags circling the dangerous sand boils.

About 100 men were working there. They were surprised to see a girl and stopped swearing—temporarily. The men were forming two parallel lines about 75 feet long. They were passing the bags to check a new sand bubble. I asked one man how it felt after heaving the bags for four hours. He replied, "Listen, after four hours, you don't feel any more."

"A fine job"

I asked one of the leaders how the OU kids were doing. "They're doing a fine job," he reported. He said that the only calamity was at noon when the Red Cross showed up with 13

sandwiches for the group.

I joined a crew of OU fellows filling sandbags. I helped tie the bags for 15 minutes while Charley put down his camera to get the feel of heaving 25 sand bags a minute—each weighing 50 to 60 pounds.

Ghost town

Charley and I left the OU gang and walked down Broadway. Council Bluffs was ghostly quiet. The only sign of life was along the main street. National guardsmen were on duty at each side street.

At the City Hall, we met a group of OU students who had been deployed there to rest. While we were there, 50 more OU boys unloaded from a relief truck. Then someone called out, "There's a truck from OU outside." All scrambled out to see if it was back to school. It was, so we all hopped on.

When we got to the bridge, the wooden dikes had been finished on the Council Bluffs side.

On to Hummel

Charlie and I got off at Fourteenth Street. We decided to drive to North Omaha, to see some of the men out there. All the roads were blocked, so we took Charley's secret way to Hummel Park. We got past the road blocks and stopped at the pavillion.

From here, the river looked quiet again. Submerged trees, houses and radio towers verified our impression of the disaster.

We drove everywhere all day with little trouble from officials. Ironically, just as we were about to leave Hummel, a police truck pulled up and stopped. They didn't question us—just sat there and glared until we left.

We drove past the road barriers and started the drive home. It was 7 p. m. and getting dark.

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Board of Regents approves funds for flood service, summer grants

The University of Omaha Board of Regents approved a maximum \$800 flood service expenditure, authorized the acceptance of two grants and received the financial report for the current year.

The flood service expenditure provides for food services to students and faculty members who worked on flood relief and also for other expenses incurred during the 24-hour flood emergency operations at the university last week.

The two grants consist of a \$500 State Aeronautics Commission Scholarship to a Nebraska teacher taking Air Education courses at the university this summer, and \$500 from the Central Association of Colleges and University Business Officers for a survey of college business policies and problems. The survey will be conducted by Business Manager Charles Hoff.

From September through March the financial report shows a total income of 67 per-

cent of the total budget estimate for the year to September.

Roncka, Petersen win awards for art work

Eugene Roncka and Harlan Petersen have received the Bertha H. Mengedoht cash awards for outstanding technical and creative achievement in art for 1952.

Roncka received his award for outstanding creative and commercial airbrush work. Petersen won with his creative and scientific biological illustration. The awards were announced by Dr. Bertha Koch, head of the University of Omaha Art Department.

Practice teachers deadline May 1

All education students planning to obtain their practice teaching credits this summer or this fall must report to Miss Jacqueline Bevelheimer in the College of Education office.

Dr. Frank Gorman, dean of the College of Education, announced that all students must apply in person before May 1.

Science majors hold meet

Science students from seven Omaha and Council Bluffs schools will attend the annual High School Science Day at Omaha U tomorrow from 9 a.m. until noon.

The program will consist of scientific displays and discussions of research papers written by the students. An outstanding paper and display will be chosen.

Home ec students win internships to three hospitals Killian reveals

Four OU dietetics majors were awarded internship appointments in dietetics this week. Miss Margaret Killian announced the appointments.

Barbara Gottsch will take her internship at Charity Hospital in New Orleans, La. She received one other appointment. Joan Bugbee was accepted at three hospitals and will intern at St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester, Minn. St. Mary's is an affiliate of the Mayo Clinic.

Priscilla Park and Shirley Heinz received appointments to Colorado State Hospital at Pueblo, Colo.

Essay contest offers \$100 bond to winner

All university students are eligible for the Freedom Essay Contest, sponsored by the Council of Jewish Women for high school and university students.

Essays of 200 words on the title, "How To Keep Freedom Alive," should be mailed to Post Office Box 266, Omaha, Nebr., not later than May 23.

Prizes in the contest are a \$50 defense bond for the winning high school essay, and a \$100 defense bond for university students.

Judges for the contest are Edward Morrow, associate editor of the World-Herald, Morris Jacobs, of Bozell and Jacobs advertising agency, and President Milo Bail of Omaha University.

Novelist will conduct first writers' meeting

A Writers Conference, open to college students and adults who are interested in the problems of creative writing, will be conducted at OU from June 3 to 13.

Walter Van Tilburg Clark, novelist and short story writer, will be guest director.

Meetings will be held each week-day evening from 7:30 to 9:30. Manuscripts may be submitted for Clark's criticisms, and members will meet with him in conference for discussion of student work.

All members are asked to read Joseph Conrad's "Heart of Darkness" and bring a copy with them to the meetings.

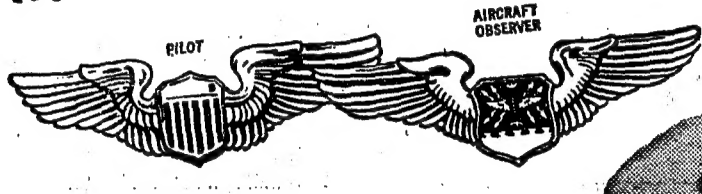
The fee for the conference is \$15 for students currently registered at OU, and \$20 for others. Applications should be submitted to the Registrar before May 25.

Jackson speaks to club

Dr. J. Hugh Jackson of Stanford University spoke to advanced business administration students at Omaha U Tuesday.

His topic was "A Quarter Century's Progress in Cost Accounting." Dr. Jackson is dean of the Graduate School of Business at Stanford and is in Omaha to address the Omaha chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants.

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Feathers pick OU walk as 'Joe College' dance site

Ignoring the usual settings of Peony Park, the Blackstone, the Carter Lake Club or the OU auditorium, members of Feathers have selected the front walk of the university for their annual "Joe College" Dance.

The all-school informal affair has been scheduled for Friday, May 2 from 7:30 to 10 p. m. At present, Jack Advers, superintendent of building and grounds, is tackling the problem of lighting effects for the new "ballroom."

Girls attending the stag-or-drag affair, as well as members of the girls' pep club, will have a chance to vote for the typical college male or "Joe College" at the dance. Candidates are to be named by each fraternity and ISA.

"Joe College" dance chairmen are Elaine Brailey and Jean Levenson.

Top retailers meet with club Tuesday

Karl N. Louis, general merchandise manager of J. L. Brandeis and Sons, and his assistant, Alan Bear, will meet with the Retailing Club on Tuesday at 7 p. m. in room 100. The topic of discussion will involve the problem of retail merchandising and store operations.

Louis is one of the top merchandise managers in the country. Members of the Retailing Club and any interested students are urged to attend the Apr. 29 meeting.

W. W. Cliff accepts New Mexico position

W. W. Cliff announced this week that he has accepted a position in the department of Journalism at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque. In addition to his instructional duties, Cliff will also assume the position of Business Manager of Student Publications.

Cliff came to OU in September, 1950 from the University of Minnesota. While here he is an instructor of Journalism and Student Publications advisor.

Auditions for radio drama Tuesday; Cahill to direct

Attention all students interested in radio dramatization! Auditions will be held for "Trent's Last Case," a radio mystery drama, Tuesday from 12:30 to 3:30 p. m.

Bob Cahill will be the director and will handle auditions.

Advanced Air cadets receive assignments to three training bases for summer camp

Forty-five advanced Air ROTC cadets have received their assignments for summer training. The cadets will attend camp for four week training courses.

Three groups of 15 cadets will begin training June 23 at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Tex.; Lowry Air Force Base, Denver, Colo.; and Rapid City Air Force Base, Rapid City, So. Dak.

The camp training will include orientation, flight training, weapons, marksmanship, leadership drill, athletics, exercise of command and other military subjects. While in summer camp, the cadets will receive regular Army base pay of a private, plus food and quarters.

Only cadets enrolled in advanced courses of the upper two-year level are assigned to summer camp. Lt. Col. Allen H. Wood, head of OU Air ROTC

department, will act as liaison officer to Strategic Air Command headquarters for co-ordination of summer camp activities.

Musicians from local high schools will attend clinic at Omaha U on Tuesday

A Music Clinic for high school musicians of the five Omaha high schools will be held Tuesday at Omaha University.

Vocal and instrumental musicians will attend. Russell Wiley, instrumental music instructor of the University of Kansas, and Ralph E. Williams, director of vocal music at the Minnesota School of Agriculture, St. Paul, will be judges. They will work with the ensembles and give oral criticism and practice.

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